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(New Nonprovisional Applications Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

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Transmitted herewith is the patent application of inventors David L. Hoyt and Stephen M. Flaherty entitled Playing Cards, for a:

☐ Original Patent Application.

☒ Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of U.S.S.N. 09/034,980, filed on March 5, 1998 (to issue as U.S. Patent No. 6,149,155 on November 21, 2000).

☐ Regular Filing of Provisional Application No. _____ filed on _____.

☐ A statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 has been added to the specification.

Enclosed are:

☒ Specification; 18 Total Pages (including title page) ☒ Drawing(s); 3 Total Sheets.

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☐ A Copy from a Prior Application for Continuation/Divisional (37 CFR § 1.63(d)).

☐ Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

☐ Signed Statement Deleting Inventor(s) Named in the Prior Application. (37 CFR § 163(d)(2)).

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☐ Preliminary Amendment.

☐ Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449.

☒ A statement claiming priority to U.S.S.N. 09/034,980 (to issue as U.S. Patent No. 6,149,155).

☐ A Certified Copy of Priority Documents (if foreign priority is claimed).

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